

**Milwaukee County Employees' Retirement System (ERS)**

**Investment Committee Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**Members:** Sarah Peck                      Dean Roepke                      John Maier  
                    Linda Bedford                      Jeffery Mawicke

1. **Call to Order:**

Chairman Sarah Peck called the meeting to order at 2:40pm, on 7-7-08, in Room 203-P of the Milwaukee County Courthouse, 901 N. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Milwaukee, WI. 53233.

2. **Roll Call:**

<b><u>Members Present:</u></b>	<b><u>Members Excused:</u></b>	<b><u>Others Present:</u></b>
Sarah Peck	Dean Roepke	Gerry Schroeder
Linda Bedford		Cory L. Nettles
Jeffery Mawicke		John Reinke
		Ben Engle
John Maier		

**Note:** The teleconference with Mercer did not take place, due to some coordinating problems. First, the County turned off the long distance capability to the conference room. Second, by the time the long distance capability was restored, no one was logged in on the conference call at the other end. Solutions to our teleconference problems are being reviewed for next month's meeting.

3. **Topic:** Discussion: **Mercer-Revisiting Generation Growth Capital (GGC).**

The presentation began with an introduction of the Generation Growth Capital, Inc. representatives, Corey L. Nettles, Managing Director and John Reinke, Director. A summary of the GGC background was provided, along with a handout document on Generation Growth Capital. GGC is a fund that invests in small private companies in Wisconsin.

General discussion took place among committee members, once the presentation concluded. Some points for consideration included:

- The diversification benefits to the fund from including GGC- currently an under-representative asset class as well as the opportunity to earn high private equity like returns.

- The uniqueness of this investment opportunity and the greater difficulty in doing a due diligence review without the benefit of other comparable opportunities.
- Whether the timing is right for such an investment.
- The Board putting their fiduciary responsibilities first.
- Needing a solid recommendation from a third party.
- Wanting a company with a strong investment history.
- The need for a tested team with a good track record.
- Wanting to have a company with multiple deals made previously.

The committee decided that some of the members would make some informal contacts, in order to establish the available pool of potential companies. It would be good to be able to rate their effectiveness and establish a qualified list for future consideration. Due diligence would have to be done which potentially could be costly. Ultimately, a recommendation would be taken to the Board for action. At this point in time, nothing will be done with GGC. It was recognized that we would have to get back to them some time soon, as a professional courtesy.

**4. Topic: Discussion: Mercer-Commitment to 2009 Adams Street Asset Class Private Capital.**

No discussion took place and the topic was held over for the 8-4-08 Investment Committee Meeting.

**5 Topic: Discussion: Loomis Sayles-Five (5) Year Pattern of Loss.**

No discussion took place and the topic was held over for the 8-4-08 Investment Committee Meeting.

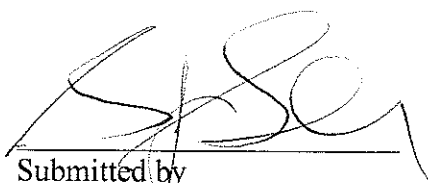
**6 Topic: Discussion: RFP-Investment Services**

No discussion took place and the topic was held over for the 8-4-08 Investment Committee Meeting.

**7. Topic: Report: Sarah Peck-Wharton West Conference**

Sarah indicated that the conference was good, with an emphasis on asset allocation. She indicated that 90% of returns come from asset allocation. There was an interesting article distributed at the conference, that will be sent to committee members.

**8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:53pm.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Schroeder', is written over a horizontal line.

Submitted by  
Gerald J. Schroeder  
ERS Manager